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Minutes of December 1, 2009

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Education was held on Tuesday, December 1, 2009, in room 210, Farnum Building, 125 W. Allegan Street, Lansing, MI 48933.

- Senator Kuipers called the meeting to order at 8:42 A.M. The roll of the Committee was called by the Committee Clerk:

Senator Kuipers – Present
Senator VanWoerkom – Present
Senator Cassis – Present
Senator Whitmer – Present
Senator Gleason – Present (8:48 A.M.)

Agenda

- Approve minutes from November 12, 2009.

Motion by Senator VanWoerkom to approve the minutes from November 12, 2009 was supported by Senator Cassis.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
Senator VanWoerkom – Yes
Senator Cassis – Yes
Senator Whitmer – Yes
Senator Gleason – Excused

- **SB 925** Sen. Thomas Education; public school academies; establishment of "schools of excellence"; provide for.
- SB 926** Sen. Thomas School aid; other; funding for "schools of excellence" as public school academy and transition funding for certain districts in which schools of excellence are located; provide for.
- SB 965** Sen. Kuipers Education; teachers; alternative program for teacher certification; provide for.
- SB 981** Sen. Kuipers Education; reorganization; certain measures to identify and restructure failing schools; provide for.

SB 982 Sen. Kuipers Education; school districts; changes in collective bargaining act to allow more flexibility in failing schools; provide for.

- Robert LeFevre, representing the Macomb Intermediate School District, spoke in opposition of all of the bills.
- Del Chenault did not wish to speak and supports the substituted versions of SB 925-926.
- Dan Quisenberry, representing MAPSA, did not wish to speak and supports Senate Bills 925, 926, and 981.
- Sen. Buzz Thomas spoke on behalf of his bills; Senate Bills 925 and 926.
- Lisa Hansknecht, representing the Michigan Department of Education, did not wish to speak and supports Senate Bills 965, 981, and 982.
- Motion by Sen. Van Woerkom to adopt the S-3 substitute to SB 925 was supported by Sen. Cassis.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
Senator VanWoerkom – Yes
Senator Cassis – Yes
Senator Whitmer – Yes
Senator Gleason – Yes

- Motion by Sen. Van Woerkom to report the S-3 version of SB 925 with favorable recommendation for passage and immediate effect was supported by Sen. Cassis.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
Senator VanWoerkom – Yes
Senator Cassis – Yes
Senator Whitmer – Pass
Senator Gleason – No

- Motion by Sen. Van Woerkom to adopt the S-4 substitute to SB 926 was supported by Sen. Cassis.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
Senator VanWoerkom – Yes
Senator Cassis – Yes
Senator Whitmer – Yes
Senator Gleason – Yes

- Motion by Sen. Van Woerkom to adopt Sen. Cassis' amendment to SB 926 was supported by Sen. Cassis.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
 Senator VanWoerkom – Yes
 Senator Cassis – Yes
 Senator Whitmer – No
 Senator Gleason – No

- Motion by Sen. Van Woerkom to report the amendment as an S-5 substitute to SB 926 with favorable recommendation for passage and immediate effect was supported by Sen. Cassis.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
 Senator VanWoerkom – Yes
 Senator Cassis – Yes
 Senator Whitmer – No
 Senator Gleason – No

- Motion by Sen. Van Woerkom to adopt the S-4 substitute to SB 965 was supported by Sen. Cassis.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
 Senator VanWoerkom – Yes
 Senator Cassis – Yes
 Senator Whitmer – No
 Senator Gleason – Pass

- Motion by Sen. Van Woerkom to report the S-4 version of SB 965 with favorable recommendation for passage and immediate effect was supported by Sen. Cassis.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
 Senator VanWoerkom – Yes
 Senator Cassis – Yes
 Senator Whitmer – No
 Senator Gleason – Pass

- Motion by Sen. Cassis to adopt the S-1 substitute to SB 981 was supported by Sen. Van Woerkom.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
 Senator VanWoerkom – Yes
 Senator Cassis – Yes

Senator Whitmer – Yes
Senator Gleason – Yes

- Motion by Sen. Cassis to report the S-1 version of SB 981 with favorable recommendation for passage and immediate effect was supported by Sen. Van Woerkom.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
Senator VanWoerkom – Yes
Senator Cassis – Yes
Senator Whitmer – Pass
Senator Gleason – Pass

- Motion by Sen. Cassis to adopt the S-1 substitute to SB 982 was supported by Sen. Van Woerkom.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
Senator VanWoerkom – Yes
Senator Cassis – Yes
Senator Whitmer – Pass
Senator Gleason – Pass

- Motion by Sen. Cassis to report the S-1 version of SB 982 with favorable recommendation for passage and immediate effect was supported by Sen. Van Woerkom.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

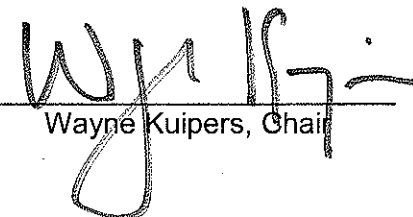
Senator Kuipers – Yes
Senator VanWoerkom – Yes
Senator Cassis – Yes
Senator Whitmer – Pass
Senator Gleason – Pass

- Senator Kuipers adjourned the meeting at 9:32 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,


Paula Englin, Clerk


Date Approved


Wayne Kuipers, Chair